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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45

This certification is filed in accordance with Title 47, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 54.313. The California Public Utilities Commission certifies that AT & T Communications of California, Inc. (AT & T) (Study Area Code 549004) is eligible to receive federal universal service high-cost support pursuant to 47 Code of Federal Regulations Subpart D, Section 54.307.

It is further certified that the basic service rates in the areas served by AT & T are reasonably comparable to the national urban rate benchmark.

The federal universal service high-cost support received will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Sincerely,

Steve Larson

Executive Director

cc: Michael R. Peevey, Commission President AT & T Communications of California, Inc.

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